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Mr. Bharat Mathur Acting Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region V 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604-3950

August 25, 2005

Re:

Redesignation Petition and Maintenance

Plan for Delaware County, Indiana

Final Submittal

Dear Mr. Mathur

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) prepared a draft Redesignation Petition and Maintenance Plan for Delaware County, Indiana, and submitted them to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) with a request for parallel processing on June 24, 2005. IDEM conducted a public hearing concerning the Redesignation Petition and Maintenance Plan on July 25, 2005 and the public comment period concluded on July 29, 2005.

Attached hereto is the final Redesignation Petition and Maintenance Plan for Delaware County, Indiana. This final version documents the public review process (note that no substantive comments were received). The document has not been altered significantly since it was submitted to the U.S. EPA for parallel processing on June 24, 2005.

The attached document consists of the following:

Redesignation Petition and Maintenance Plan

- A formal request that the Delaware County 8-hour ozone nonattainment area be redesignated to a maintenance area. It contains and meets the requirements set forth in Section 107 of the Clean Air Act and in the Redesignation guidance issued September 4, 1992.
- A maintenance year of 2015 is established and 2010 is analyzed as an interim year.
- The appendices of the document contain historic trend data, projected emission inventory data and thorough documentation of the mobile emissions analysis.
- A transcript of the public hearing and record of all comments received.

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Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets

- Contained in the Redesignation Petition is a new Motor Vehicle Emissions Budget for 2015. The Muncie Metropolitan Planning Organization's travel demand model and MOBILE6 were used to determine emissions for the 8-hour ozone nonattainment area.
- A conservative safety margin was applied to the 2015 projected emissions.
- The Travel Demand Model was updated with the best available assumptions.

IDEM hereby requests that the U.S. EPA proceed with final review and approval of this submittal. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Sarah Raymond, Air Programs Branch at (317)232-8449.

Sincerely

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Commissioner

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